

# 2003 FRANCIS H. RAYMOND AWARD

The California State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection is seeking nominations for the **2003 Francis H. Raymond Award**. The annual award is given to the individual(s), organization, agency or company who has contributed the most to the management and increased awareness of California's forested resources over the past five years.

The award is named in honor of Francis H. Raymond, former State Forester and leading advocate of the passage of Assembly Bill 469 in 1972, which resulted in the Professional Foresters Licensing Law.

Two recipients were chosen for the 2001 Award: The Fire Safe Council and Collins Pine Company of Chester. The Fire Safe Council was recognized for its work in creating consensus among many diverse agencies and communities for the purpose of mobilizing all Californians to make their homes, neighborhoods and communities fire safe. Additionally, it has served a vital role in promoting the implementation of the California Fire Plan at the local level. Collins Pine was recognized for its continuing influence on the public's view of forest management in California. Collins Pine is known as a leader in managing lands with an eye to forest stewardship and a commitment to managing timber stands for large tree retention. This philosophy was demonstrated in 1993 when Collins became the first privately owned timberland in the United States to become certified by Scientific Certification Systems. Presentation of the Awards will be scheduled, at an appropriate venue, later this summer.

Previous recipients of the Award include: Ronald Adams and Sherman Finch of the Forestry Center at Cal Expo, The Quincy Library Group, Frank Barron of Crane Mills, Tad Mason of Pacific Wood Fuels, the late Gil Murray of the California Forestry Association, Kay Antunez of the Project Learning Tree program, Gary Nakamura of UC Cooperative Extension, Bud McCrary of Big Creek Lumber Company, Andy Lipkis of TreePeople, Norm Pillsbury of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, John Zivnuska of UC Berkeley, Ray Rice of the US Forest Service, Peter Passof of UC Cooperative Extension, Roseburg Resources Company, the Redwood Region Conservation Council, Jim Jenkinson of the US Forest Service, and Nancy Inmon of the Trees Are For People program.

Nominations are due to the Board of Forestry by **December 15, 2002**, with the selection being made by the nomination review committee in February, and the Award to be presented at a ceremony in the summer of 2002.

Additional information may be obtained from the **California State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, P.O. Box 944246, Sacramento, CA 94244-2460**. Contributions to endow the Francis H. Raymond Award are greatly appreciated. The stipend that accompanies this Award depends on the interest earned from donations made to the Francis H. Raymond Fund.